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<u>Via E-mail</u>

The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Subject: Request to hold a Night Hearing in York County, South Carolina

Docket No. 2018-358-WS

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On behalf of the York County legislators who represent citizens in the Blue Granite Water Company, Inc ("BGWC") service territory, I request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") schedule a Public Night Hearing in York County as soon as practicable to hear from York County customers on the rate increase requested by BGWC in Docket No. 2018-358-WS.

The Application before the Commission contains a proposed increase to water commodity charges and sewer charges. BGWC requests recovery of increased purchased water and sewer charges that are over \$1,000,000 annually. According to the amended Application, customers living in York County will experience a significant rate increase of approximately 15% for water service and 12% for sewer service.

Further, BGWC indicated, in a recent filing with the Commission, that it intends to pursue a general rate case in less than 12-months. York County customers should have an opportunity to provide testimony to the Commission about how this proposed rate increase will impact them and their community.

Sincerely,

Senator Wes Climer

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York County Legislative Delegation Chairman

cc: Senator Harvey Peeler

Representative Tommy Pope Representative Bruce Bryant